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1. [] Talked with Bill Darden, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, to alert him to the press inquiries to the Agency concerning our surplus personnel program. I gave him the substance of what was to be furnished the press with a request that he alert the Chairman.

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2. [] in CI called indicating that the author, [] is under pseudo which no one in the Agency has been able to crack. He suggested I might talk to [] on this. (This was Representative [])

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3. [] [] called to say he had not heard from [] I advised him that [] trip had been extended and he was expected back in Washington sometime this week and I would assure that he would contact [] on his return.

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4. [] Obtained from Jay Scurvins, of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff, on a loan basis, a copy of the transcript of [] testimony before the Subcommittee on Friday. This is being forwarded to WH Division and CI Staff.

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5. [] Talked with Fred Mesmer, of the Senate Immigration staff, about proposed amendments in the House and Senate to the Immigration and Naturalization Act. See Memo for the Record for full details.

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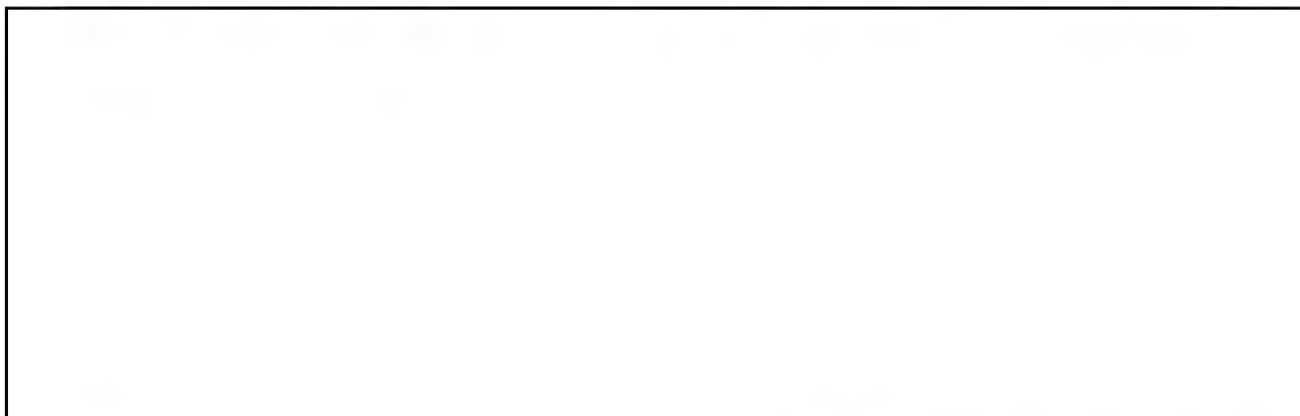
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9. [] called to say an Agency employee, [] was resigning from the Agency to run for Congress in the state of []

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11. [] Personnel, called to say he has been advised, through [] that Senator John Sherman Cooper's office has sent to the Army a letter from a constituent, [] who expressed an interest in the case of John Downey, who has been held a prisoner of the Chinese Communists since 1952. [] letter indicates that he is interested in the case only as an American citizen and questions what is being done to secure Downey's release. [] and I discussed the alternatives of having the Army reply to this request as opposed to our contacting Senator Cooper directly on the matter. We will discuss this further tomorrow.

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12. []

[] to discuss the status of existing and proposed legislation on the subject of escapees and refugees. It was agreed that those having liaison contact with Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Department of State would attempt to determine action being taken or positions drawn on any new legislation. This office will discuss the subject with the House and Senate Immigration Subcommittees to determine the action which those Subcommittees propose. It was the general feeling of the group that an extension of PL 86-649 or the enactment of Senator Hart's bill (S. 3843) or both would serve our purpose to utilize where appropriate authority such as those where individual cases do not merit the use of our section 7 authority.

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